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E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SHARKOV'S CALL ON GOVERNING MAYOR

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1. BOTH GOVERNING MAYOR SCHUETZ AND SOVIET CONSUL GENERAL SHARKOV HAVE APPARENTLY SHIED AWAY FROM ADVERSE PUBLICITY BUILDING UP OVER FLAG ISSUE IN CONJUNCTION WITH COURTESY CALL. SEVERAL HOURS AFTER ALLIES HAD BEEN INFORMED BY SENAT CHANCERY THAT SCHUETZ HAD DECIDED TO DISPENSE WITH CALL (REFTEL), SENAT SPOKEMAN ISSUED STATEMENT TO CONTRARY. ON FOLLOWING DAY, JUNE 8, GRISHCHENKO, NOW NUMBER TWO IN CONSULATE GERNARL, CALLED ON HEAD OF CHANCERY HERZ TO DISCUSS CALL. HE WAS GIVEN CHOICE OF JUNE 14 OR 20, BUT INDICATED SHARKOV WOULD WISH FIRST TO CALL ON FRENCH COMMANDANT, WHO HAS BEEN OUT OF TOWN (SHARKOV APPARENTLY REFUSES TO RECOGNIZE HIS CALL ON FRENCH MINISTER AS ACTING COMMANDANT AS HAVING MET THIS REQUIREMENT). ON WAY OUT OF HERZ' OFFICE, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL SUGGESTED TO GRISHCHENKO THAT SHARKOV MIGHT

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WISH TO ENTER SIDE ENTRANCE AND COME TO PROTOCOL OFFICE
FIRST, WHENCE HE WOULD BE CONDUCTED TO GOVERNING MAYOR'S
OFFICE. GRISHCHENKO TOOK BAIT AND TRIED OUT ROUTE.
PLACE WHERE FLAGS WOULD BE FLOWN IN LOBBY WAS POINTED
OUT AS THEY APPROACHED SCHUETZ' OFFICE, BUT
GRISHCHINKO COMMENTED THAT HE DID NOT IMAGINE THAT
SHARKOV WOULD BE ABLE TO SEE THEM (SIC). KLEIN

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